



Creator's Touch Ministries, Inc.

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Greetings to all of our friends and partners. Have a blessed and prosperous 2009. So many things have happened since last year. We are now working with many different ministries, organizations, churches, etc., here in Zambia and with more ministry connections in USA, England and South Africa. More international groups are on the way. God is in charge and He is taking us somewhere.

We are definitely in a new season for our ministry and lives. So many doors have opened for us in ministry here in Zambia. We are now working for Missions Touch Ministries, Limited (MTM), a new ministry and non-governmental organization here in Zambia. We needed a Zambian registered ministry to receive the many containers coming from the USA and elsewhere. Connie and I were instrumental in its development and establishment. Creator's Touch Ministries (CTM) is our ministry in the USA and through CTM, we will work with other ministries such as MTM.

Connie and I are directly involved in these four main areas of work that MTM is functioning in:

- 1) Humanitarian aid especially to orphan and vulnerable children, poor and needy people.
- 2) Building and administration of local community church based schools.
- 3) Training of pastors, church and business leaders according to Biblical standards.
- 4) Rural community development using humanitarian aid, community school construction and business enterprise development as vehicles to further develop local villages.

Today, we administrate the feeding of over 4000 children at 15 different orphanages and community schools in Zambia just through our partnership with Feeding the Nations (FTN) in the USA. Other US organizations such as World Children's Fund and Global Assistance assist FTN with the financial costs of shipping a container to Zambia. When the schools have no food to give the children, many of these children stop coming to school. In addition to food, we provide basic health care items and school supplies to these children on a regular basis. Containers are shipped from FTN to us in Zambia and then we distribute these goods to the schools and orphanages. Dr. Stephen Sumrall and Randy Souza from FTN visited Zambia in September to view the work and have stated they will continue sending containers for the next year or two. With containers coming through other organizations, we are also able to distribute medical supplies, clothes, shoes, Bibles, personal hygiene items, etc. to those in need. Our humanitarian aid targets orphan and vulnerable children and widows.

We also partner with two other ministries in feeding children. We partner with World Children's Fund to feed a local community school with 300 children. With Joseph's Coat Ministries (JCM), we administrate the construction of buildings, two feeding programs with over 500 children, salary allowance for the teachers, building repair and maintenance, as well as other issues. With these JCM projects, we also intend to establish a clinic, as small business venture to help self-sustain the project, a water borehole (well), and a building that the community or village can use for meetings and social events. JCM will be visiting us in March 2009. Lord of the Nations Church and other groups of churches are reviewing several school

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construcion projects for possible sponsorship. We would administrate those projects on their behalf.

MTM is now establishing a Training Institute to formally train pastors, church leadership, and business people. Leadership and administration skills are greatly needed here and we are able to conduct many training workshops and seminars. Our focus will include practical application and be in a format that can be taken out to make a difference in their world of influence and for them to become world changers. We teach as well as bring in qualified teachers in these fields from the USA and England. Both Dave and Connie teach several courses a year at another Bible College located deep in the bush in the southern part of Zambia.

Most of our weekends are busy ministering at different churches around the country. We have been invited to be guest speakers in many different denominational conferences and special events. Connis is involved with ministering at women's meetings and conferences. Many of these churches are located in rural areas and bush country so common things that we take for granted in the USA are just not available there. Some services are conducted in the dark and food is sometimes obtained from off the land such as eland and goat. Housing of all types, including tents. Our schedules are full but we have been able to impact the lives of many people through God's grace and provision.

In the near future, we see great growth in feeding more children, the distribution of supplies to the poor, the building of schools and some orphanages, and the training of many leaders. We will be hiring several people in various areas of expertise to assist us. We will be looking for missionary teams from the USA and England to assist us with special projects. Shortly, we will need a warehouse and small three ton truck to handle the distributions.

One of our greatest needs is to raise the necessary funds to continue the ministry work. We depend on the prayers and financial support of many to keep us out here on the mission field. We thank all of you who give sacrificially so that we may continue here. It is a great privilege for us to assist over 4800 children on a regular basis and to teach many pastors and church leaders. Truly, we can make a difference in the lives of so many. We are a team of Kingdom workders including each of you who support us. Thank you so much for participating in the work of the ministry here in Zambia. Thank you for allowing us to serve the people of Zambia on your behalf. God richly rewards those who look after the poor and needy. The children are always excited to see us and know that they will eat another meal because of your generous support.

We speak God's abundant blessings on each of you, your families and churches, and upon your businesses. Please remember us in your prayers and financial support. Keep us in mind when looking at a missionary trip opportunity for your church.

God bless you!
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